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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 6, line 8 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 3a shows [[a]] the striking plate of the golf club head of FIG. 2 having an elliptical shape with [[a]] the major cross-section dimension (W) and [[a]] the minor cross-section dimension dimensions (W) and (H), respectively, of an embodiment of the present invention.

Please insert the following new paragraph on page 6, line 10:

FIG. 3b shows a striking plate having an elliptical shape with a major cross-section dimension (W) and a minor cross-section dimension (H).